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5 January 1956

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1430, 5 January 1956

Director of Central Intelligence
Allen W. Dulles
*Presiding

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell
*Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Special Assistant for Intelligence,
Department of State
Major General Ridgely Gaither, Assistant Chief of Staff,
Intelligence, Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Carl F. Espe, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence,
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Colonel Robert Totten, acting for Deputy Director for Intelligence,
The Joint Staff
Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative
to the IAC
Mr. Alan H. Belmont, Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of
Investigation

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1. Approval of Minutes
20 December Meeting
(IAC-M-223)

Approved as written.

2. Watch Committee Reports
No. 281 and No. 282

Noted.

3. Release of NIE 63.3/1-55
Probable Developments in
Laos to July 1956
(ONE Memorandum, 21 December 1955)

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4. Quarterly Revision of the Program
of National Estimates
(ONE Memorandum, 21 December 1955)

Approved as amended. The Board of National Estimates and the IAC representatives will meet to consider the advisability of adding Tropical Africa, or parts thereof, to the estimative schedule for 1956.

5. SNIE 53-56
Afghanistan's Probable
International Position

Deferred consideration of this estimate until Tuesday, 10 January. The Board of National Estimates and the IAC representatives will reexamine certain sections of the 30 December 1955 draft in the light of new evidence.

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6. NIE 13-56
Chinese Communist Capabilities
and Probable Courses of Action
Through 1960

a. Approved as amended. The Board and the IAC representatives will reconsider the presentation of estimated production figures and footnotes thereto explaining divergences in certain estimates on pages 19 and 20 of the 30 December 1955 draft.

b. Noted the findings, and approved the recommendation of the post-mortem on this estimate.

c. General Cabell suggested, and the members agreed, that the IAC examine in a separate estimate the political effects, particularly in non-Communist areas, of a relaxation of trade controls on China. A target date of 17 January was agreed on.

Adjournment: 1740



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